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GENERAL & REVENUE SECRETARIAT

Serial Nos. Lr 6 PRESERVED (2)

Part B for July 1925

SUBJECT

Lr Rolls of Mbrs. 1st meeting of Council re Mr Kadur & Shimoga Districts dated May 1925.

18 & 19 To The Govt Director, Irrn Works
" Chief Engineer in Mysore
" Bhadravati
etc.

C.M. No. 5714-33/-8 dt. 7. 1925
Fds for necessary action & copy of the Lr Rolls referred to above.

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Sec. 8.7.25

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

1914-15.
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File No. 56-14

Serial Nos. 2, 7, 24, 29.

Papers Filed.

Month March 1915.

SUBJECT.

Re arrears of pay due to Sankarajiah, Head Munshi of the Araku Taluk, for July 1913.

PREVIOUS REFERENCES.	LATER REFERENCES.

M. Wahid Ali Khan
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R. SRINIVASIENGAR,
MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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PUBLIC OFFICES, 1

Bangalore, dated 30th May 1925.

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Dear Mr Banerji

I send herewith for your perusal a copy of my Tour Notes in the Kadur and Shimoga Districts during May 1925.

Yours sincerely
R Srinivasiengar

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Acknowledged.
5.25 Chief Secy with compts

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Supdt with D.S.N.
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Submitted to His Highness.

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I beg to submit herewith, for the gracious information of His Highness, a copy of the Tour Notes of the Offg. First Member of Council in the Kadur and Shimoga Districts during the month of May 1925.

2. Further necessary action will be taken on the points brought to notice in the Tour Notes.

Camp Mysore,
5th June 1925.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Serial No.

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18. To the Superintendent Govt Printing
9652 of 20.6.25.

Forwards herewith a copy of the Town Notes of the 15th number of Council in the Madras Shipping Act & requests that the same may be set in types and two clean proofs sent to us.

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Proof has been received corrected & submitted herewith. This will now be sent to the Members Office for approval. This will again be gone through before sending it to press.

To Mr D. Secretary.

To the Supdt S.O. Branch.

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* Have you read through the proof again?

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Issued 9. 258 dt 11.7.25

"Printed Copies of Town Notes were received & duly dispatched forwarding copies to the Concerned Heads of Depts. by Conl & the Secretaries to Govt for necessary action is forwarded.

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A Printed Copy to be placed in the file

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Continuation sheet draft form.)

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To Gen 49-24-18.

The Superintendent
Govt. Prs.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a c/s/3 of the four Notes of the Govt. Trust Member of Council in the Kadur and Shimoga Dts. in May 1918 and to request that the same may be kindly caused to be set in type & two clean proofs forwarded early.

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for Chief Secretary to Govt.

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TOUR NOTES OF THE OFFG. FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL

IN THE KADUR & SHIMOGA DISTRICTS.

MAY 1925.

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3rd May 1925.

Left Bangalore for Bhadravati by the Poona Mail at 9 P.M.

4th May 1925.

Arrived at Bhadravati in the morning. After breakfast, left for Kemmangundi by the Iron Works tramway with the members of the Finance Committee, inspecting the forest workings along the line. Visited the Rope-way. Motored from Tanigebyle to Kemmangundi - inspecting the working of the ore under the supervision of Mr. Venugopal, Assistant Geologist.

Discussed with the Director, Mysore Iron Works, the question of opening a Police out-post at Kemmangundi about which a reference had been received from him and promised to issue the necessary orders in this respect on his agreeing to have the cost of the out-post debited to the Iron Works. Returned to Bhadravati at 8 P.M. via. Tarikere.

The condition of the Birur-Shimoga road within the Tarikere town municipal limits is very bad. This requires attention on the part of the municipality as well as the Public Works Department.

5th May 1925.

In the morning visited the Iron Works with the members of the Finance Committee; went round the Works; saw the tar-distillation plant at work and also the - materials of the alcohol refining plant which was

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purchased recently at a cost of about Rs.2½ lakhs but is left unused as it is considered that it will not be advantageous or profitable to set up the plant and work it with the present low price of refined alcohol.

Discussed with the Director the details of the fuel supply arrangements as also other matters about which the members of the Finance and Taxation Committee desired to have information.

In the afternoon held a meeting of the members of the Finance Committee and placed before them the information obtained from the Government Director. After some discussion, as it was late in the evening, it was decided to adjourn the meeting and hold it at Bangalore.

In the evening attended the Tea party given by the Director of the Iron Works to the members of the Finance Committee. The members of the Committee left for Bangalore by the night train.

6th May 1925.

In the morning inspected the District Forest office at Bhadravati and discussed with the officers the arrangements for the supply of fuel and charcoal to the Iron Works, the cost of their supply and the possibility of reduction in their cost. It was found that at present the cost of fuel supply by the Department works out at about Rs.6-3-0 per ton delivered at the Works. With some further economy in the several stages it should be possible to reduce this to some extent. The District Forest Officer was asked to do all that is possible to effect a reduction of at least 8 annas per ton, as even this will effect an annual saving of about Rs.50,000 in the working charges of the Iron Works.

It was found in the course of inspection of the

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office that advances to the extent of Rs.18,500 were outstanding against the officers of the department, some of the advances being more than ten years old. Notwithstanding the issue of instructions for the prompt adjustment of advances, no effective action seems to have been taken in the matter. The Conservator should obtain from the District Forest Officer quarterly statements of the progress made in the adjustment of advances pending for more than 3 years and review them and submit a copy of the review for the information of Government.

In the afternoon, at about 3 P.M. left for Tadasa inspecting the Kodcha Bu lodge on the way and thence proceeded by the Tarikere tramway to Hebbe. This railway line runs close to the Bhadra river with the result that it gets flooded and is unfit for use for over 6 months in the year and that a very large stock of timber at Hebbe and other stations belonging to the Forest Department as well as to some private contractors who purchased it from Government remains untransported, thereby causing considerable loss of revenue to the Government and also loss to the contractors. It is very desirable that this line should be re-aligned by taking it somewhat on a higher level. I understand that this will cost about Rs.3 lakhs. But it may be worth while incurring even this expenditure in view of the large amount of forest revenue which it will bring to Government.

7th May 1925.

Inspected the forest timber at the railway station. Within the last fortnight, there has been some amount of activity in the transport of this timber. Two waggon - loads are being sent daily from this line to Tarikere for transport to the Gold Fields. Inspected the (Tyagadagudda State Forest and the working of the coupes therein.

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There are large advances outstanding against the Rangers attached to this Sub-division. It is said that owing to the paucity of the contractors, it has been found necessary to advance money to the cart-men who are utilized as petty contractors.

It is ascertained that many of the Moplas and others who have recently come and temporarily settled in these parts for fuel collection work will be prepared to settle down permanently if they are given certain concessions such as an advance of Rs.150 for each family and grant of land free of assessment for a period of 3 years. The proposal is worth investigation and consideration. The Conservator of Forests will be asked to work out the details and submit a scheme for the consideration of Government in consultation with the Deputy Commissioner and the Revenue Commissioner.

8th May 1925.

Left Hebbe in the morning and motored over to Agumbe via Narasimharajpur, Koppa and Hariharpur.

At Narasimharajpur, a representation was made by some of the people objecting to the felling of trees from the District forests for the supply of fuel to the Iron Works, to the prejudice of the interest of the villagers. The Sub Assistant Conservator was asked to see that the Revenue officers were consulted and their consent obtained before any felling for fuel was undertaken in the District Forests.

At Jammatige it was represented by the villagers that in connection with the grant of sites to them for the shifting of their old village which had been innundated during the last floods, they were asked by the District officers to pay the cost of the clearance of the sites

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which amounted to nearly Rs.2,000 and that they were not in a position to pay the amount. The representation appears to be deserving consideration at the hands of the Deputy Commissioner.

Visited the Ghat-head at Agumbe and in the evening inspected some of the institutions at the place. The dispensary which was the gift of Mr. Venkataramaiya is well attended, the daily attendance being about 50.

The boys' school which was constructed by - Mr. Venkataramaiya and made over to Government is overcrowded, the accommodation being insufficient. It would be well if the girls' school which is now located in the upstairs of a private building is shifted to the boys' school and a new boys' school constructed with larger accommodation for the boys.

Inspected the Government chattram which enjoys a grant of Rs.1,250 per annum for the feeding of mostly pilgrims going to Udupi and Sringeri. Inspected the Krishna Devaru temple which is said to have been constructed by the ancestors of one Mr. Ramanna Heggade who was for a long time the Dharmakarta. It would appear that sometime back a committee of Dharmadarsis was appointed to supervise the affairs of the temple and that this is felt by Mr. Ramanna Heggade as a - grievance, as he has been thereby deprived of the sole management of the temple. I was given to understand that there was no complaint of mismanagement or any such irregularity against Mr. Heggade; and in the absence of such complaint, it is not known what the need was for replacing him by a committee. The Deputy Commissioner may investigate the matter and take suitable action for restoring the management to Mr. Heggade if he considers there is no objection to it.

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A combined Police station and lines was constructed here by the Public Works Department in 1910. Though the building was completed about 15 years ago, it still remains in charge of the P.W.D. and has not been taken over by the Police Department on the ground that the roof which is made of armored concrete and is almost flat leaks very badly and the building is therefore unfit for occupation during the monsoon months. It is to be very much regretted that some thousands of rupees should have been practically wasted over the building. It is ascertained that an estimate is under preparation for putting up a Mangalore tiled roof at a cost of Rs.3,500 over the armored concrete roof It is hoped that the estimated work will be soon sanctioned and the execution of the work expedited so that the building may be put to use without any further delay.

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The Dafedars and constables are now greatly inconvenienced for want of suitable quarters and they are using the Musafirkhana to the inconvenience of the travellers.

Discussed with the Police and Forest officers employed for the prevention of sandalwood smuggling the efficacy of the measures adopted by them. It is ascertained that a number of stills just beyond our border which had been maintained from smuggled sandalwood has been closed owing to the vigilance exercised by the special staff in preventing smuggling. It is brought to notice that there will not be much work for the special staff during the monsoon months as all the passes in the Malnad will be practically closed for traffic then. As it is under contemplation to establish frontier out-posts on the eastern border also, the services of Mr. Anderson and such portion of the staff

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now employed under him as can be spared may be utilized for patrolling and guarding the Bangalore and Kolar - District borders until the close of the monsoon when they can go back to their places in the Kadur-Shimoga division.

9th May 1925.

Left Agumbe in the morning. Inspected the Agumbe forest in company with the Conservator.

Visited the Mavinbeelu Police out-post located in the middle of the forest for the prevention of sandalwood smuggling. This out-post does not appear to serve much useful purpose and it may be well shifted to a suitable place on the road-side.

It is ascertained that action is being taken by the Inspector-General of Police to have pucca sheds with corrugated iron roofing put up for the out-posts. In view of the temporary nature of these out-posts and also of the need that may arise for their occasional shifting from one place to another, I think it is not desirable to spend any large amount over the buildings ~~therefor~~. It would be far cheaper and will quite serve the purpose if, instead of putting up permanent sheds for these out-posts at a cost of Rs. two or three thousand each, ~~if~~ thatched sheds at a cost not exceeding Rs.100 are put up. Even if the sheds are to be renewed annually, the charge incurred thereon will not exceed the interest on the amount that will be required for putting up pucca zinc sheet sheds.

At Megarvalli inspected the site proposed by the Conservator for the erection of a saw mill to utilize the large quantity of timber now remaining unexploited in the ghat forests.

Arrived at Thirthahalli at about 12 o'clock and met the chief residents of the place and heard their representations. They wanted that the present arrangement under which the Special Magistrate holds circuit court at Thirthahalli should be continued, that a High School should be established at Thirthahalli and that a grant should be made by the Government for the drainage of the town. I discussed with Mr. Poonegar the working of the arrangement of the circuit court and was given to understand that the holding of peridical circuit court at Thirthahalli has resulted not only in speedy disposal of cases but also in great convenience to the people of the taluk.

Left Thirthahalli at about 3 P.M. for Shimoga. On the way inspected the tile factory which was recently handed over by Government to Mr. Venkataramaiva and heard his representations regarding (1) remission of the value of the tiles which were made over to him by the Government and which have been mostly washed away by the recent floods, (2) the postponement of the recovery of the instalment of loan due from him for the current year, (3) supply of fuel at concession rates for working the factory and (4) the grant of a site for putting up quarters for coolies. All his representations seem to be reasonable and deserving of consideration. The Director of Industries will be asked to submit his proposals in respect of the representations, for the early orders of Government.

Reached Shimoga at about 6 P.M.; met the Deputy Commissioner and other officers and had a talk with them.

10th May 1925.

Motored over to Kumsi and back with the Deputy Commissioner. Visited the Taluk office building at Kumsi. The

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construction of the Police station building in the Taluk office compound which had been sanctioned sometime back has not made any progress, and the work seems to have been stopped. The Deputy Commissioner wants the building to be completed early. A report will be called for from the Inspector-General of Police in the matter.

It was represented that the Barr Sepoys are put to considerable inconvenience for want of quarters. The necessity for the location of the Barr Sepoys at Kumsi is not quite evident. It is a matter for consideration whether they cannot be withdrawn and the guarding of what little money is kept in the Sub-taluk office transferred to the Police.

In the afternoon inspected the Special First Class Magistrate's court at Shimoga. The work in this court appears to be very heavy (the number of pending cases coming to 110) and the Magistrate will be given relief if a First Class Magistrate is stationed at Sagar. The list of pending cases in the court includes 1 case of 1921-22 and 5 of 1922-23. These long pending cases should be brought to disposal without further delay.

It was brought to notice by the District Magistrate that the Magistrate at Sagar may be authorised to hold circuit court at Shikarpur as in the case of Thirthahalli. The District Magistrate will be asked to submit definite proposals on the subject for the consideration of Government.

Inspected the Hospital which was under repairs. There is at present a Lady Sub Assistant Surgeon attached to the Hospital. A duly qualified Assistant Surgeon is necessary for an important place like Shimoga. The accommodation for in-patients at the

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Hospital appears to be inadequate.

Left Shimoga for Bangalore by the Mail train at 8 P.M.

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SUBJECT

Section G. M

File No. 49-24

Serial No. —.

Diary No. of letter replied to

No. G 256/Encl/1

To The Superintendent Govt. Press

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir,

Date of issue 11.7.25

I am directed to forward herewith 25 approved copy of the proof the Town notes of 100 Rs: Fifth Member of Council in the Madras Shimoga Dts in May 1925 and to request that 250 copies of the same may be kindly got printed & supplied to this office at a very early date.

Signed by Mr. M.V.J

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SUBJECT

Section

File No. 49 — 24.

Diary No. of letter replied to

Serial No. 19

O. M. No. 5714-33/Ex

~~To~~

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 24/7/25

Signed by Mr. M.V.J.

The accompanying Copy of ~~Extract~~ Note of the Offg. First Member of Council ~~in the~~ during this tours in the Kadur and Shimoga Dts during May 1925 is forwarded for necessary action.

B—O.

~~For~~ Secretary

To

The Govt Dist Insp Tracks Bhadravathi.
" Chief Engineer
" Secretary to Govt P.W.D.
" D. C. & President D. Bd. Shimoga.
" Conservator of Fts
" Secretary to Govt for Railways in Mysore
" Agent Mysore Rys. Mysore
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